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In re Application of

Wesley Scott et al

: DECISION ACCORDING STATUS

Application No. 10/615,704

Filed: July 9, 2003

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR BENDING

STRIP MATERIAL TO CREATE CUTTING

DIES

: UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(b)

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed March 4, 2004 and supplemented on April 30, 2004.

The petition is granted.

Petitioner has shown that the non-signing inventor has refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status. As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to Petitions Examiner Wan Laymon at (703) 306-5685.

This application file is being referred to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for preexamination processing.

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